Design Build Process for King Street Improvements RFQ#16-06-02 Prequalification Meeting Notes

Description of the Project.

There is some state funding associated with this project. VDOT will not be active in this project.

Description of the Project area and noted landmarks. There are problems with traffic in this area.

This project is to improve traffic flow at the intersection of Orange and King. The Project would include addition of sidewalk, pedestrian accommodations, and widening to three lanes. Glade Creek Tributary A will be filled in with piping as part of this project. The stream will be impacted for more than three hundred feet, so mitigation of closing the streaming will be a large part of the project permitting (JPA).

This project is valued as a natural resource-DEQ (Jay Roberts) and USACE (Danielle Courtois).

Note the stream as indicated in Exhibit A.

At Springtree Drive, there is a nursing home that will be expanding. This turn lane will be included in this project.

There is proposed sidewalk from Springtree Drive to Orange Avenue. Review of area via Google Earth.

Springtree metal culvert (4 corrugated metal pipes) needs to be replaced.

There is no anticipation of new traffic signals at Orange Avenue. There are no improvements in Orange Avenue specifically. Any work occurring on Orange Avenue would have to be related to improvements at King Street.

Median at Walmart can be addressed in the design process. The Successful Offeror will not be responsible for improvements associated with the Walmart Property.

There are Right of Way (ROW) impacts at the intersection of Springtree Drive and King Street. Shown via Google Earth. Property owners are generally supportive of the project. There could be other Right of Way impacts depending on the Offeror's design.

There is a requirement that the Successful Offeror submit Plans as part of the City Planning Department's Comprehensive Review Process with respect to linear development projects. Contractor needs to seek design strategies to limit the use of Stormwater quality and quantity devices.

The project will be bonded through the Engineering Department.

Exhibit A is the basis of the Project.

Work must be completed by July 1, 2017. Construction completion date may be negotiated as part of the RFP phase of the Project.

No designated area for staging for this project has been determined at this point.

Questions and Answers

- 1. How far against the segment of Walmart's retaining wall is the easement?
- A. Easement goes right up against the wall. Plat will be provided to the Offerors as part of the Request for Proposal (RFP) phase of the project.
- 2. Box culvert at the entrance of the Walmart. Has the City studied the size of the piping?
- A. There has been a study at the FEMA flood plain. The study would be the basis to determine/design the flow of water at that area. The City does not want to increase the depth. The requirement is that the flooding is not worsened.
- 3. Is there flexibility in the total of the guaranteed maximum budget?
- A. Guaranteed maximum budget means that there are no additional funds available for this project. The entirety of the project must be completed within the stated budget. City salaries are not built into the project budget.
- 4. What would be an acceptable form for submission of financial statements.
- A. The City does not require a prescribed format for the submission of this information. Offerors may submit information in the format of their choosing, which may include, but not be limited to, financial statements, profit and loss statements, etc.
- 5. What are the current site ground conditions?
- A. There are utilities to consider; there is an old pump station line; there are visible pipes in the stream. If the existing utility is in conflict with the proposed conditions, then the utility must be relocated. If the utility is not in conflict, then it shall remain in place.
- 6. Are there time of year restrictions for the stream?
- A. This area will have a Threatened and Endangered (T&E) clause that limits in-stream construction from March 15 to July 1.

- 7. Anticipating any vertical alignment?
- A. No. Area appears to be in good condition. The Contractor must maintain traffic through the construction site as part of the work. The City Engineering will provide a City inspector as part of the QC process.
- 8. With respect to the qualifications of the designer-what is the City looking for specifically?
- A. Please refer to the qualifications identified in the RFQ.
- 9. Can the City provide geotechnical and/or other documentation related to the project?
- A. City will provide the Offerors, as part of the RFP phase, the following: Walmart Plat, Plans for the retaining walls, and any available geotechnical information.
- 10. How does the City anticipate handling the acquisition of land?
- A. Contractor shall follow the requirements of the state code to acquire Right of Way for the Project. The City shall purchase the land rights for a parcel based on fair market value (as negotiated based on the third party appraisal).
- 11. Is the City allowing a stipend for the project?
- A. The City shall make the stipend determination during the RFP process.
- 12. Will the City entertain a design that recommends an entrance from an alternate location?
- A. The City is not bound to a particular design. Offerors may submit alternate designs, if selected, as part of the RFP process.